



## **State Water Resources Control Board**

June 10, 2014

Mr. Richard Wilmshurst and The Louise B. Hall Wilmshurst Trust P.O. Box 33 Angels Camp, CA 95222

Dear Mr. Wilmshurst:

CLOSURE DENIAL REVIEW FOR PETROLEUM UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK CASE, C & L CYCLE, 238 ST. CHARLES STREET, SAN ANDREAS, CALAVERAS COUNTY

State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) Resolution No. 2012-062 requires that State Water Board staff review a lead agency's decision when the lead agency has denied a request by a responsible party for an underground storage tank (UST) case closure pursuant to the Low-Threat UST Case Closure Policy.

The subject site has the following identification numbers:

- GeoTracker No. T0600900084
- Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board)
   Case No. 050091
- Calaveras County Case No. 042-010-021

The State Water Board reviewed the closure request dated July 11, 2013 and the response from the Regional Water Board in the GeoTracker record. The Regional Water Board disagrees with the proposed UST case closure because the General Criteria for a conceptual site model that assesses the nature, extent, and mobility of the release has not been developed and the Groundwater-Specific Criteria have not been met.

After careful consideration of the GeoTracker record, I have determined that this site does not meet the following General Criteria: General Criteria (e) – A conceptual site model that assesses the nature, extent, and mobility of the release has been developed.

Elevated concentrations of petroleum exist in groundwater between the former UST location and San Andreas Creek (Creek). The Creek is located approximately 220 feet northeast and downgradient of the site. The contaminant plume downgradient of wells MW-2 and MW-3 and potential impacts to the Creek must be characterized.

The contamination in groundwater continues to pose a threat to human health, safety and the environment. Criteria for low-threat UST case closure have not been met at this time, and therefore, closure of the UST case is not appropriate.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Benjamin Heningburg at (916) 341-5749 or benjamin.heningburg@waterboards.ca.gov

Sincerely,

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